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INTRODUCTION.

A compilation of "Retail Prices of some principal articles of food in Mysore" was first issued in March 1901 for 1900 and previous years. In the second issue which appeared in March 1902 opportunity was taken to correct the errors in the first by re-printing the whole with the figures for 1901 added.

2. The present issue contains figures for 1903 and previous years with the following two changes :—

(i) Part B is curtailed by the omission of the figures for each year from 1886 to 1900 as they already appear in the second issue. The quinquennial averages for the same period are repeated instead as being sufficient.

(ii) Part C of the second issue has been omitted altogether. The figures are printed in antique type in Part A.

3. The following few words explain the statements herein embodied.

4. The prices herein given are retail prices, and are based upon the returns furnished every fortnight by Deputy Commissioners of Districts as being the average of the prices which prevailed in the principal markets of the District.

5. They are quoted for Rice, 1st and 2nd sort, Ragi, Cholam, Bengal Gram and Salt. They are given in seers and decimals of a seer per rupee (the standard seer of 80 tolas). Part A shows the annual average and Part B shows it by fortnights for a series of years. Each of these parts comprises 8 tables, one for each District in the State.

6. Part C exhibits the variations in value on the bases, years 1871-75=100 in Mysore and Bangalore, and year 1886=100 in all the Districts; and the variations in the prices of Rice, 2nd sort and Ragi are illustrated by a diagram for each District. Each chart illustrates both grains on the same page whereby their variations relatively to each other and to the prices in 1886 are also obvious.

7. Part D exhibits the retail price in each of the fortnights of 1903 alongside of the averages for the corresponding fortnights of the previous ten years, and the rise or fall has been shown as a percentage + or —.

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